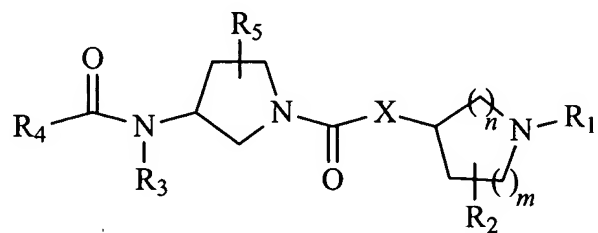


ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Melanin-concentrating hormone (MCH) receptor antagonists are disclosed having utility for the treatment of MCH receptor-based disorders such as obesity. The compounds of this invention have the following structure:



including stereoisomers, prodrugs, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein m , n , X , R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , and R_5 are as defined herein. Also disclosed are compositions containing a compound of this invention, as well as methods relating to the use thereof.

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